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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to the property assessed clean energy
3 program; amending s. 163.08, F.S.; amending the
4 definition of "qualifying improvement" to include
5 sewage treatment, seawall improvements, and certain
6 improvements to underground infrastructure; providing
7 an effective date.

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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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11 Section 1. Paragraph (b) of subsection (2) of section
12 163.08, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

13 163.08 Supplemental authority for improvements to real
14 property.—

15 (2) As used in this section, the term:

16 (b) "Qualifying improvement" includes any:

17 1. Energy conservation and efficiency improvement, which is
18 a measure to reduce consumption through conservation or a more
19 efficient use of electricity, natural gas, propane, or other
20 forms of energy on the property, including, but not limited to,
21 air sealing; installation of insulation; installation of energy-
22 efficient heating, cooling, or ventilation systems; building
23 modifications to increase the use of daylight; replacement of
24 windows; installation of energy controls or energy recovery
25 systems; installation of electric vehicle charging equipment;
26 and installation of efficient lighting equipment.

27 2. Renewable energy improvement, which is the installation
28 of any system in which the electrical, mechanical, or thermal
29 energy is produced from a method that uses one or more of the

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30 following fuels or energy sources: hydrogen, solar energy,
31 geothermal energy, bioenergy, and wind energy.

32 3. Wind resistance improvement, which includes, but is not
33 limited to:

34 a. Improving the strength of the roof deck attachment;

35 b. Creating a secondary water barrier to prevent water
36 intrusion;

37 c. Installing wind-resistant shingles;

38 d. Installing gable-end bracing;

39 e. Reinforcing roof-to-wall connections;

40 f. Installing storm shutters; or

41 g. Installing opening protections.

42 4. Sewage treatment improvement, which includes the
43 replacement of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system
44 with an advanced onsite sewage treatment system and the
45 replacement of an onsite sewage treatment and disposal system
46 with a central sewage system.

47 5. Seawall improvement, which includes seawall repairs and
48 seawall replacements.

49 6. Raising of electrical boxes, raising of home
50 foundations, and other improvements to the underground
51 infrastructure of homes to promote greater resiliency.

52 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2020.